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## **ABSTRACT**

The invention is directed to human agonistic and antagonistic antibodies that bind CD40 (e.g., human CD40), methods of producing the antibodies and methods of use. Invention human CD40 antibodies include antibodies that can stimulate or inhibit one or more activities of CD40, such as increasing or decreasing cell proliferation. Invention human CD40 antibodies are therefore useful for increasing or decreasing a CD40 activity in order to alter CD40 activity in vivo.